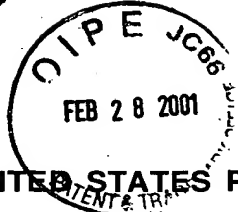


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APPLICANT(S): William Alan Burris	
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions for a two month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed 26 September 2000 so that the total time for responding is five months from the date of the Office Action. A response to the Office Action of 26 September 2000 is being filed with this Petition.

A check for the \$195 fee required for filing a two month Extension of Time Petition by a small entity is also enclosed. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4518.

For any questions, the Examiner is invited to call applicant's attorney.

Respectfully submitted,
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